Director of Central Intelligence
Security Committee
Computer Security Subcommittee

DCISEC-CSS-M176

STAT   1. The one hundred and seventy-sixth meeting of the Computer
STAT   Security Subcommittee met on 12 November 1985 at
STAT   The following persons were present:

STAT   Chairman
STAT   Executive Secretary
Mr. Robert Graytock, Dept. of Justice
Mr. Paul Fitzgerald, FBI
Major Jack Freeman, Army
STAT   NSA
IC Staff

STAT   2. There was a continuation of the discussion of the MOU for
joint utilization of facilities.   reviewed of the
background, tracing the current status from the Subcommittee's first
flagging of the problem. He noted that the SECOM will be discussing
this issue at their fall retreat, scheduled for mid-November 1985.
There was a review of the issues discussed at the previous meeting
(M175), and of the solutions proposed (e.g., time limits for waivers
and interim approvals) for the current informal nature of the
interim approval process. During the discussions of multiple
sponsors of a single contractor, the question was asked, "who is
responsible for oversight and management of all the SCI programs?"
The Subcommittee was not able to identify which organizational
entity had the responsibility, and thus could enforce any necessary
procedures. Considering the history of this problem, it was not
clear that the Subcommittee's original concerns were fully conveyed.
Thus, it was recommended that a white paper be prepared on this
subject, as a vehicle for fully presenting the scope of the problem,
and articulating the Subcommittee's concerns (e.g., potential
compromise of SCI, potential public embarassment, wasted resources).
STAT   agreed to draft such a paper.

STAT   3. The question of the R&D budget was discussed.
report from the last meeting was reviewed for the benefit of the
Chairman, i.e., there are no fy86 R&D funds for the CSS, and that
the CSS will be given only "seed money", vice funds to support
STAT   ongoing activities.   added the note that, as a result of
NSDD-145 and the national mission of the National Computer Security
Center, the House Appropriations Committee (HAC) has determined that
the CSS should spend no computer security R&D funds.

STAT   4.   was asked to report on the status of the
contract with NBS to develop a set of guidelines for personal
computers. In short, she reported that NBS was behind schedule on
STAT   their deliverables. She will contact

5. The Chairman discussed a report from the HAC, which resulted from the budget review. The Committee has asked each DoD component and Intel community member to prepare a report (by March 1986) on computer security; status of protection efforts, what resources are being applied, what is being done to protect classified and sensitive information, with special attention to PC's and office automation.

6. The Chairman asked for an update on the status of the Center publications of the network criteria and the dbms criteria. It was reported that a draft network criteria has been distributed, with comments due back to the National Computer Security Center by the end of October 1985. It should be considered a strawman document; the Center will decide how to proceed depending on the results of the review. With regards to criteria for database management systems, it is an area to which the Center is giving some attention, although it will be some time before there will be a document to review.

7. Included with these minutes are copies of two recent publications from the National Computer Security Center, specifically:

- CSC-STD-002-85, "Password Management Guideline, dated 12 April 1985;

- CSC-STD-003-85, guidelines for applying the Trusted Computer Systems Evaluation Criteria, dated 25 June 1985;

- CSC-STD-004-85, technical rationale for the above guideline, dated 25 June 1985.

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8. The next meeting will be on 17 December, 1985 at 0930 at In recognition of the holiday season, the regular meeting will be followed by the regular holiday luncheon at a local oasis.

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Executive Secretary